



Bangor Town Regatta 2022

Incorporating the Sigma 33 OOD Irish and Class Championship

Royal Ulster Yacht Club

Thursday 23rd to Sunday 26th June 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Royal Ulster Yacht Club. (RUYC)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions.
- 1.3 For IRC Classes IRC rule 22.4 (Crew limitations) shall not apply.
- 1.4 Boats shall comply with, at least, World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B Inshore Racing.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at <https://www.bangortownregatta.com/sailing>.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official noticeboard is located in the foyer of Royal Ulster Yacht Club and at duplicated at Bangor Marina.
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.3 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on International channels. On the Water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sis.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the following classes:

Class 1	Boats with IRC TCC or NHC 1.060 and above
Class 2	Boats with IRC TCC or NHC from 1.010 to 1.059 (incl. RC35)
Class 3	Boats with IRC TCC or NHC 0.940 to 1.009
Class 4	Boats with IRC TCC or NHC 0.830 to 0.939
Class 5	NHC Restricted Sail Class (no spinnaker/gennaker)
Class 6	Sigma 33 OOD
Class 7	RS Elite Class
Class 8	Coastal Class NHC
Class 9	Coastal Class NHC Restricted Sail
Class 10	Classic Boats - Waverley and Fairy

- 4.2 Classes may be altered, divided and amalgamated or boats moved between classes at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.3 Boats in Classes 1 to 6, 9 and 10 shall display a class pennant, appropriate to the class in which she is sailing, from their backstay at all times when racing
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form downloadable from the event webpage at <https://www.bangortownregatta.com/sailing>. Completed entry forms can be emailed to info@ruyc.co.uk or posted to the club. Payment can be made either by cheque payable to Royal Ulster Yacht Club with posted in entry form or by bank transfer for emailed entries, to:
Sort Code: 95-02-29
Account number: 51020080
For bank transfers please use the reference BTR2022, Sail Number and Boat Name
- 4.5 Boats entered in IRC Classes shall submit a copy of their IRC Certificate not later than Monday 20th June 2022. No alteration to a boat's TCC will be permitted after this date, except as a result of a rating protest, or to correct Rating Authority errors
- 4.6 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.7 Boats should enter before midnight on Monday 20th June. Late entries will only be accepted after this date in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.8 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.9 Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 4.10 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

	Class	Entry Fee	If Paid before 1 st April 2022
1	IRC/NHC Class 1	£ 320.00	£ 256.00
2	IRC/NHC Class 2 (incl. RC 35 Class)	£ 275.00	£ 275.00
3	IRC/NHC Class 3	£ 175.00	£ 140.00
4	IRC/NHC Class 4	£ 175.00	£ 140.00
5	NHC Restricted Sail Class	£ 175.00	£ 140.00
6	Sigma OOD 33 Class	£ 175.00	£ 140.00
7	RS Elite Class	£ 150.00	£ 120.00
8	Coastal Class NHC	£ 150.00	£ 120.00
9	Coastal Class NHC Restricted Sail	£ 150.00	£ 120.00
10	Classic Boats – Waverley and Fairy	£ 100.00	£ 80.00

- 5.2 Berthing for boats not normally berthed in Bangor Marina and craneage is included in the entry fee.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Registration Wednesday 22nd June 1400 to 1900 at RUYC and Thursday 23rd June 0900 to 1100 at Bangor Marina.

9.2 Briefing – A Briefing will be held at 1100 at Bangor Marina.

9.3 Racing:

Date	IRC/NHC Classes 1 to 5	Sigma OOD 33 Class 6	RS Elites Class 7	Coastal Classes 8 & 9	Classic Boats Class 10
Thurs 23 rd June	Races 1 and 2 W-L	Races 1 and 2 W-L	No Racing	Race 1	No Racing
Fri 24 th June	Race 3 W-L + Race 4 Coastal	Races 3, 4 and 5 W-L	Races 1, 2 and 3	Race 2	No Racing
Sat 25 th June	Races 5, 6 and 7 Triangle	Races 6, 7 and 8 W-L	Races 4, 5 and 6	Race 3	Races 1, 2 and 3
Sun 26 th June	Races 8 and 9 W-L	Races 9 and 10 W-L	Races 7 and 8	Race 4	Races 4 and 5

9.4 Nine Races are scheduled for classes 1, to 5.

Ten races are scheduled for classes 6.

Eight Races are scheduled for class 7.

Four Races are scheduled for classes 8 and 9.

Five races are scheduled for class 10.

9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first races:

Class	Thurs 23rd	Fri 24th	Sat 25th	Sun 26th
IRC/NHC Classes 1 to 5	1255	0955	1055	1055
Sigma OOD 33 Class	1255	1055	1055	1055
RS Elite Class	N.A	1055	1055	1055
Coastal Classes NHC	1225	1025	1025	1025
Classic Boats – Waverley and Fairy	N.A	N.A.	1055	1055

9.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1430.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

For classes 7 and 10 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be Belfast Lough.

13 COURSES

The courses to be sailed for classes 1 to 5 will be windward leeward, triangle and a short coastal race. The courses to be sailed for classes 6 and 7 will be Windward Leeward. The courses for classes 8 and 9 will be round marks in Belfast Lough. The courses to be sailed for class 10 will be round the cans off RUYC.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Post Race Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the official notice board for details. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the

protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Classes 1 to 4 will have races dual scored on both IRC and NHC when available.
- 15.2 For NHC scoring, a boats handicap will be adjusted after every race. A boat will continue to race in the class in which she first started. An adjustment in handicap number is not grounds for redress, this changes RRS 62.
- 15.3 For classes 1 to 7, three races are required to be completed to constitute a series. For classes 8, 9 and 10 one race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 15.4 For classes 1 to 7, when fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1 Support Person Vessels shall register at registration with a description of the support vessel, their callsign and the sail number of the boat/s supported.
- 16.2 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay 150m outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 16.3 When the engine of a support vessel is running, all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the Marina

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

[DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools, or their equivalent, shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The Club Data Processing Policy is available on the club website.

22 RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1 RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

22.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling per incident or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, as follows: 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class

The Bangor Town Trophy will be awarded to the top performing boat over all classes to be determined by the race committee.

The Sigma Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner in the Sigma 33 OOD class.

The Sigma 33 OOD Irish Championship Trophy will be awarded to the first boat normally berthed in Ireland helmed by a helmsman normally domiciled in Ireland.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

Royal Ulster Yacht Club, 101 Seacliff Road, Bangor County Down BT205HY

Office telephone: 028 9127 0586 or from R.O.I 048 9127 0586

Email: sailingsecretary@ruyc.co.uk

Website: www.ruyc.co.uk

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Information

Berthing will be allocated by the Marina on Entry.

A crane will be available from 0800 to 1100 on Thursday 23rd June to launch boats. Recovery will be as soon as possible after racing on Sunday 26th June

Hotel and Bed and Breakfast Accommodation - contact: <http://www.visitardsandnorthdown.com>

There are a large number of Air BNB properties and also a new Premier Inn in Bangor – contact through their website.